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SUBJECT: SHIPPING; PHILIPPINE DISCRIMINATORY MEASURES

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REF: A. TOKYO 3974; B. MANILA 3996

1. JAPANESE EMBOFF SHOJI TAKAHASHI CALLED ON COMATT APRIL 2 TO ASCERTAIN U.S. POSITION ON PRESIDENTIAL DECREE 667 IN ORDER TO RESPOND TO REQUEST FROM TOKYO FOR REPORT ON MATTER. TAKAHASHI STATED THAT DECREE WAS AT VARIANCE WITH ARTICLE VI (3) OF PHILIPPINE/JAPANESE TREATY OF AMITY, COMMERCE AND NAVIGATION WHICH WAS RATIFIED IN JANUARY 1974.

2. FOR READY REFERENCE OF ADDRESSEES, TEXT OF ARTICLE VI (3) IS QUOTE MERCHANT VESSELS OF EITHER PARTY SHALL BE ACCORDED TREATMENT NO LESS FAVORABLE THAN THAT ACCORDED TO LIKE VESSELS OF ANY THIRD COUNTRY WITH RESPECT TO THE RIGHT TO CARRY ALL GOODS AND PERSONS THAT MAY BE CARRIED BY VESSELS TO OR FROM THE TERRITORIES OF THE OTHER PARTY ; AND SUCH GOODS AND PERSONS SHALL BE ACCORDED TREATMENT NO LESS FAVORABLE THAN THAT ACCORDED TO LIKE GOODS AND PERSONS CARRIED IN MERCHANT VESSELS OF SUCH OTHER PARTY WITH RESPECT TO: (A) DUTIES AND CHARGES OF ALL KINDS, (B) THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE CUSTOMS, AND (C) BOUNTIES, DRAWBACKS AND OTHER PRIVILEGES OF THIS NATURE. END QUOTE.

3. GIST OF EMBASSY APPROACH TO ASST SECRETARY BARRERA AS REPORTED EMBTEL WAS PASSED TO TAKAHASHI. COMATT URGED HIM TO RECOMMEND THAT GOJ JOIN IN PARALLEL APPROACH, BUT TAKAHASHI STATED THAT MATTER WAS COMPLICATED BY COPPER CONCENTRATE PROBLEM IN WHICH JAPANESE SMELTERS HAVE BEEN SEEKING CUTBACKS OF PHILIPPINE SHIPMENTS. TAKAHASHI HASTILY ADDED THAT COPPER SHIPMENTS INVOLVED "PRIVATE" MATTER BETWEEN COMPANIES OF TWO COUNTRIES. WHILE HE DEMURRED ON REVEALING WHAT HE WOULD RECOMMEND, IT WOULD BE CONTRARY TO GOJ LONG-TERM INTEREST TO LET THIS CONTRAVENTION OF ITS TRADE TREATY GO UNCHALLENGED.
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